

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 21, 23-25, 27, and 28 are pending. Claims 22 and 25 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

The examiner asserted that claim 21 was non-compliant.

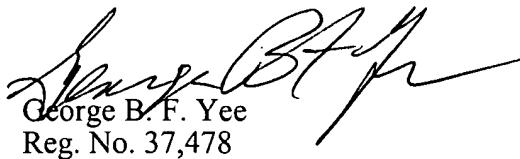
In response, Applicant has amended claim 21 to include the subject matter of claim 22, and amended claim 25 to include the subject matter of claim 26. As amended, claim 21 recites in part: "storing condition information ... for controlling the host computer or the storage apparatus" and "changing the parameter of the job" See also claim 25.

Claim 15 recited "control strategies including policies which define execution of processes in an information processing system." Claim 21 recites a feature of similar scope, namely, "conditions for controlling the host computer or the storage apparatus." See also independent claim 25.

Claim 15 "changing parameters of said processes to meet the control strategies." Claim 21 recites a feature of similar scope, namely, "changing the parameter of the job according to the result of the comparison" where the comparison is a comparison of the parameter with the condition for controlling the host computer or storage device. See also claim 25.

For the reasons set forth, Applicant believes the independent claims 21 and 25 have the same scope as previously filed claim 15. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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